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Title:

METHOD FOR PRODUCING SUBSTANCE UTILIZING

MICROORGANISM

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Please find enclosed:

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\boxtimes	Petition for Extension of time from the Office Action, mailed August 9, 2004, 1 months to
	December 9, 2004: 1 pages
	Information Disclosure Statement: pages.
	PTO-1449: pages.
	cited references.
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